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PROPOSED CLAIMS

Claim 29 (currently amended): A communication device comprising:

reception means for sending a transmit request to an e-mail server and receiving an e-mail transmitted from the e-mail server in response to the transmit request;

acquisition means for acquiring size information of an e-mail, stored in the e-mail server, from the e-mail server before sending the transmit request to the e-mail server;

a memory for storing e-mails received by said reception means;

judgment means for judging whether it is possible or not to receive at said communication device an e-mail stored in the e-mail server, according to the size information and a storable capacity of said memory; and

output warning means for visually outputting warning information indicating that an e-mail to said communication device, stored in the e-mail server, cannot be received, as a result of a judgment by said judgment means.

Claim 30 (previously amended): A communication device according to claim 29, wherein the size information includes a size of image data, when an e-mail received from the e-mail server contains image data.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A communication device according to claim 29, further comprising recording means, wherein said output warning means generates a report

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indicating the warning information and records it using said recording means.

Claim 32 (previously added): A communication device according to claim 31, wherein said communication device converts a received e-mail into image data and records that e-mail using said recording means.

Claim 33 (previously amended): A communication device according to claim 29, wherein, when a plurality of e-mails are stored in the e-mail server, said communication device executes reception of e-mails from the e-mail server in a predetermined order, until said judgment means judges that it is impossible to receive an e-mail.

Claim 34 (currently amended): A communication method of a communication device, said method comprising the steps of:

sending a transmit request to an e-mail server and receiving an e-mail transmitted from an e-mail server in response to the transmit request;

acquiring size information of an e-mail, stored in the e-mail server, from the e-mail server before sending the transmit request to the e-mail server;

storing e-mails received in said receiving step, in a memory;

judging whether it is possible or not to receive an e-mail stored in the e-mail server, according to the size information and a storable capacity of the memory; and

~~visually outputting warning information indicating that an e-mail;~~ e-mail stored in

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the e-mail ~~server~~, server cannot be received, ~~as based on~~ a result of a judgment made in said judging step, by visually outputting warning information.

Claim 35 (previously amended): A communication method according to claim 34, wherein the size information includes a size of image data, when an e-mail received from the e-mail server contains image data.

Claim 36 (currently amended): A communication method according to claim 34, wherein

said ~~outputting~~ warning step includes generating a report indicating the warning information, and

said method further comprises the step of recording the report, using recording means.

Claim 37 (previously added): A communication method according to claim 36, further comprising the step of converting a received e-mail into image data and recording that e-mail using the recording means.

Claim 38 (previously added): A communication method according to claim 34, further comprising the step of, when a plurality of e-mails are stored in the e-mail server, executing reception of e-mails from the e-mail server in a predetermined order, until it is judged

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in said judging step that it is impossible to receive an e-mail.

Claim 39 (currently amended): A computer-readable memory medium storing executable code for performing a communication method that comprises the steps of:

- sending a transmit request to an e-mail server and receiving an e-mail transmitted from an e-mail server in response to the transmit request;
- acquiring size information of an e-mail, stored in the e-mail server, from the e-mail server before sending the transmit request to the e-mail server;
- storing e-mails received in said receiving step, in a memory;
- judging whether it is possible or not to receive an e-mail stored in the e-mail server, according to the size information and a storable capacity of the memory; and
- ~~visually outputting warning information indicating that an e-mail, e-mail~~ stored in the e-mail server, server cannot be received, as based on a result of a judgment made in said judging step, by visually outputting warning information.

Claim 40 (previously amended): A memory medium according to claim 39, wherein the size information includes a size of image data, when an e-mail received from the e-mail server contains image data.

Claim 41 (currently amended): A memory medium according to claim 39, wherein

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said ~~outputting~~ warning step includes generating a report indicating the warning information, and

the method further comprises the step of recording the report, using recording means.

Claim 42 (previously amended): A memory medium according to claim 41, wherein the method further comprises the step of converting a received e-mail into image data and recording that e-mail using the recording means.

Claim 43 (previously amended): A memory medium according to claim 39, wherein the method further comprises the step of, when a plurality of e-mails are stored in the e-mail server, executing reception of e-mails from the e-mail server in a predetermined order, until it is judged in said judging step that it is impossible to receive an e-mail.

Claim 44 (previously added): A communication device according to Claim 29, further comprising:

delete request means for requesting deletion of an e-mail stored in the e-mail server based upon a judgment by said judgment means.

Claim 45 (previously added): A communication method according to Claim 34, further comprising the step of requesting deletion of an e-mail stored in the e-mail server based

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upon a judgment in said judging step.

Claim 46 (currently amended): A communication device comprising:

a reception unit adapted to send a transmit request to an e-mail server and to receive an e-mail transmitted from the e-mail server in response to the transmit request;

an acquisition unit adapted to acquire size information of an e-mail, stored in the e-mail server, from the e-mail server before sending the transmit request to the e-mail server;

a memory adapted to store e-mails received by said reception unit;

a judgment unit adapted to judge whether it is possible or not to receive at said communication device an e-mail stored in the e-mail server, according to the size information and a storable capacity of said memory; and

~~an output~~ a warning unit adapted to visually output warning information indicating that an e-mail to said communication device, stored in the e-mail server, cannot be received, as a result of a judgment by said judgment unit.

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